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SUMMARY: THEMES OF PRESS APRIL 8 ARE: WIDESCALE
DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES TO BEGIN SOON TO BOOST PEACE
PROCESS; EGYPT REAFFIRMS NECESSITY OF TOTAL ISRAELI WITH-
DRAWAL AND SOLUTION TO PALESTINIAN PROBLEM; U.S. HAS
"COMPLETE VISUALIZATION" OF SOLUTION TO MIDDLE EAST
CRISIS; TIDE RUNNING AGAINST ISRAEL, WHICH WILL FIND NO
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SECURITY BY CONTINUED OCCUPATION OF ARAB LANDS; EVIDENCES
OF THIS TIDE ARE FURTHER STRAIN IN U.S.-ISRAELI RELATIONS
BECAUSE OF WEAPONS USE IN LEBANON, JEWISH "BACKLASH"
AGAINST BEGIN IN U.S., AND FURTHER DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST
BEGIN'S POLICY IN ISRAEL. END SUMMARY.

1. CAIRO DAILIES APRIL 8 HEADLINE "WIDESCALE" DIPLOMATIC

ACTIVITY WITHIN FEW DAYS AND U.S. "COMPLETE VISUALIZATION" OF SOLUTION TO MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM. AHRAM STORY SUGGESTS DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES SPRING FROM RECENT EXCHANGES BETWEEN ISRAEL, U.S. AND EGYPT. U.S. PREPARING "MORE SPECIFIC STEPS" TO BE CARRIED OUT WITHIN COMING WEEKS TO "ACTIVATE EFFORTS FOR PEACE DESPITE CLEAR OPPOSITION OF ISRAEL". SAME LINE TAKEN BY ASHARAF GHORBAL IN GUMHURIYYA INTERVIEW. AHRAM STORY SAYS IN COURSE OF RECENT EXCHANGES EGYPT CONFIRMED NEED TO CONCENTRATE ON DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND ON PALESTINIAN PROBLEM WHICH IS "CORE OF CONFLICT." SADAT, IN REMARKS TO 42ND INTERNATIONAL ROTARY CONFERENCE IN ALEXANDRIA, SAID HE PREFERS FOOD TO GUNS AND THAT HIS PEACE INITIATIVE WAS MEANS TO IMPROVE HUMAN CONDITION IN MIDDLE EAST. AHRAM EDITORIAL REMINDS THAT IF ISRAEL WANTS PEACE AND SECURITY SHE MUST WITHDRAW FROM ALL OCCUPIED ARAB LANDS WITHOUT EXCEPTION AND ACCORD PALESTINIANS THEIR RIGHTS. IN CONTRAST, PAPERS REPORT BEGIN HEBREW UNIVERSITY SPEECH THAT ISRAEL WOULD NOT WITHDRAW FROM THE OCCUPIED LANDS.

2. ISRAEL. BOTH IN AHRAM STORY AND IN GHORBAL INTERVIEW, PRESS DEPICTS TIDE OF EVENTS RUNNING AGAINST ISRAEL. GHORBAL MENTIONED U.S. ARMS DEAL LINKING SAUDI ARABIA, EGYPT AND ISRAEL AND U.S. ACTION ON SOUTHERN LEBANON, INCLUDING VANCE'S LETTER TO CONGRESS REGARDING ISRAELI USE OF AMERICAN WEAPONS. GHORBAL COMPARED PRESENT TREND

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OF POLICY IN WASHINGTON WITH U.S. POSITION IN 1957 AGAINST "TRIPARTITE AGGRESSION ON EGYPT." AHRAM HAD SEPARATE ITEM ON VANCE LETTER NOTING IT FURTHER STRAINS U.S.-ISRAELI RELATIONS AND COULD RESULT IN "CUT-OFF OF FURTHER AMERICAN SUPPLIES." PAPER REPORTED EVANS AND NOVAK COLUMN SAYING THAT PRESSURE ON AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT BEGIN IS CREATING "BACKLASH AGAINST ISRAEL." HEADLINE TREATMENT GIVEN TO STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS AT HEBREW UNIVERSITY DURING BEGIN SPEECH. EILTS

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